AN ORDINANCE 02-0-1861

AS SUBSTITUTED BY BY PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANT FUND BUDGET BY ADDING TO ANTICIPATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000 FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY TO FUND THE CAR SAFETY SEAT FITTING STATION PROGRAM DEVELOPED BY THE ATLANTA FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY GRANT AGREEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for children in Georgia and;

WHEREAS, Over 600,000 children under the age of six reside in Georgia and it is estimated that less than half of the state's children are not being properly restrained while being transported in motor vehicles, resulting in nearly 300,000 unrestrained Georgia children being at risk of death or injuries on Georgia's roadways and;

WHEREAS, Injuries and deaths related to motor vehicle crashes could be reduced if every child is properly buckled in a child safety seat, booster seat or with a lap/shoulder belt appropriate for the child's age, weight and height;

WHEREAS, It is the mission of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to educate the public on highway safety issues and facilitate the implementation of programs that reduce crashes, injuries and fatalities on Georgia roadways and;

WHEREAS, more pedestrians are injured and killed annually within the City of Atlanta than anywhere else in the State of Georgia and;

WHEREAS, Atlanta is ranked by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as the third deadliest city in the United States for pedestrians to walk and;

WHEREAS, It is the mission of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to educate the public on highway safety issues and facilitate the implementation of programs that reduce both pedestrian and vehicular injuries and fatalities on Georgia roadways and;

WHEREAS, It is the mission of the Atlanta Fire Department to protect lives and property from disastrous incidents and when such incidents do occur to mitigate and reduce the resulting damages and;

WHEREAS, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and the Atlanta Fire Department previously and successfully partnered to implement the Car Safety Seat Fitting Program which has gained national prominence in its field and;

WHEREAS, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety has created a Car Safety Seat Fitting Program grant to assist with the operational costs to promote and implement a Car Safety Seat Fitting Program and a Pedestrian Safety Awareness Program and;

WHEREAS, the \$130,000 will be used solely for the operation of the Car Safety Seat Fitting Program / Pedestrian Safety Awareness Program for the benefit of the residents of the City of Atlanta; and for residents of the State of Georgia;

WHEREAS, the Budget commission of the City of Atlanta, Georgia has recommended increasing estimated receipts in the Intergovernmental Grant Fund by \$130,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the 2002 Intergovernmental Grand fund be and hereby is amended as follows:

ADD TO ANTICIPATIONS

1B02 J53X0210KDL0 Governor's Office of Highway Safety

632101 State Grant Entitlements \$130,000.00

ADD TO APPROPRIATIONS

1B02 W11T1501KDL0 Governor's Office of Highway Safety

Car Safety Seat Fitting Station

72**** Other Services and Charges \$130,000.00

Section Two: That no matching funds are required by the grantor agency.

<u>Section Three:</u> That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions herein, be and are hereby repealed.